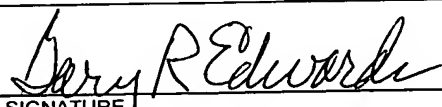


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<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>			ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER <b>095309.56246US</b>	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. <b>PCT/EP2003/10895</b>			U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <b>10/533,357</b>	
INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE <b>10/01/2003</b>		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED <b>10/31/2002</b>		
TITLE OF INVENTION <b>DRIVE SYSTEM FOR AN OFF-ROAD UTILITY VEHICLE</b>				
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US <b>Wolfgang HEIER, et al.</b>				
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:				
1. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.				
2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.				
3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.				
4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).				
5. <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> Is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li> </ul>				
6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> </ul>				
7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li>d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ul>				
8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).				
9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).				
10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).				
<b>Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:</b>				
11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.				
12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.				
13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A COPY of the preliminary amendment originally filed on April 29, 2005.				
14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.				
15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.				
16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.				
17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825.				
18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).				
19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).				
20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: Reply and a copy of the return date-stamped postcard dated April 29, 2005 evidencing filing of the Preliminary Amendment				

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.414 and 1.491-1.492. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public, which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 15 minutes to complete, including gathering information, preparing, and submitting the completed form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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The following fees have been submitted				CALCULATIONS      PTO USE ONLY	
21.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Basic national fee (37 C.F.R. §1.492(a))		\$300.00	\$
22.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Examination fee (37 C.F.R. §1.492(c))			
If the written opinion prepared by ISA/US or the international preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)				\$0.00	\$
All other situations				\$200.00	\$
23.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Search fee (37 C.F.R. §1.492(b))			
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Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority				\$100	
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<b>TOTAL OF 21, 22 AND 23 =</b>					\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.					
Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole number)		RATE	
- 100	/ 50 =			x 250	\$
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(h)).					\$
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE		
Total claims	- 20		x 50		\$
Independent claims	- 3		x 200		\$
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)			+ 360		\$
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>					\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by 1/2.					
<b>SUBTOTAL =</b>					\$
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(i)).					\$
<b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b>					\$
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21 (h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property					\$
<b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =</b>					\$
				Amount to be refunded:	\$
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<p>a. <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$      to cover the above fees is enclosed.</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Attorney Docket No. 095309.56246US) in the amount of \$      to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Attorney Docket No. 095309.56246US). A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. <b>WARNING:</b> Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status.</p>					
SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO: Crowell & Moring, LLP Intellectual Property Group P.O. Box 14300 Washington, D.C. 20044-4300 Tel. No. (202) 624-2500 Fax No. (202) 628-8844			<div style="text-align: center;">           SIGNATURE          Gary R. Edwards          NAME          31,824          REGISTRATION NUMBER          December 2, 2005          DATE       </div>		

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**NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 04/29/2005
- English Translation of the IA filed on 04/29/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 04/29/2005
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 04/29/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 04/29/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 04/29/2005
- Copy of references cited in ISR filed on 04/29/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 04/29/2005
- Substitute Specification filed on 04/29/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 04/29/2005

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Additional claim fees of \$600 as a non-small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.
- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$600 for a Large Entity:

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$ 600
  - \$600 for 3 independent claims over 3.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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Customer No. : 23911  
Title : Drive System for an Off-Road Utility Vehicle

**REPLY TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING REQUIREMENTS**


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Sir:

Applicants undersigned attorney notes that a check for the additional claims fee of \$600.00 has not been included with the submission of Missing Parts Response since a Preliminary Amendment was filed on April 29, 2005, eliminating all multiple dependencies in the claims of the original specification. Submitted herewith is a copy of the Preliminary Amendment filed on April 29, 2005 including a copy of the return date stamped postcard evidencing filing of this Preliminary Amendment (Total Claims: Seven (7) Claims; One (1) Independent Claim).

Respectfully submitted,

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The following has been received in the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office on the date stamped hereon:

- X Transmittal Letter to the United States DO/EO/US (35 USC § 371) (in duplicate) and C&M Check NO 283296 in the amount of \$1030.00
- X Application Data Sheet
- X Form PCT/IB/308
- X English Translation of International Application, including fourteen (14) Claims and Abstract (Pages 1-18)
- X Two (2) Sheets of Drawings Showing Figures 1-2
- X Preliminary Amendment
- X Substitute Specification and Marked-up Copy Thereof
- X International Preliminary Examination Report (with amended sheets and translation thereof)
- X Information Disclosure Statement, International Search Report, PTO-1449 and four (4) references
- X Form PCT/IB/301
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